# **Mitchell Point Trail #417**



### **Recreation Opportunity Guide**





**Trail Highlights:** This trail enters the Mark O. Hatfield Wilderness. This is an easy, lightly used trail that accesses Warren Lake. Combine this trail with Mount Defiance Trail #413 and Starvation Ridge Trail #414 for a demanding 8.7 mile day hike or backpack loop. There are several established campsites at Warren Lake.

**Trail Description:** This trail starts at Starvation Ridge Trail #414 and ends at Mount Defiance Trail #413. Starting from the Starvation Creek State Park Trailhead, head west along I-84 on Mount Defiance Trail #413 (this begins as an asphalt trail that soon becomes gravel) and travel 0.2 mile to the junction with Starvation Ridge Trail #414. Turn left (south) onto #414 and head up a very steep climb on a nice trail. The trail climbs 2.5 miles to the beginning of Mitchell Point Trail #417 (3,280'). Turn right (west) onto #417 and climb 0.9 mile to the junction with Warren Lake Trail #417A (3,820'). Continue on the slight downhill 0.3 mile to Warren Lake. There are several established campsites at the lake. Leaving Warren Lake, the trail begins climbing again and after 0.7 mile, the trail reaches the junction with Mount Defiance Trail #413 (4,240'). Visitors can return the same way (8.8 miles) or, to make an 8.7 mile loop, take a right onto #413 and follow it downhill 4.3 miles to the Starvation Creek Rest Trailhead. This trail can also be accessed from Warren Lake Trail #417A.

## **Regulations & Leave No Trace Information:**

Group size is limited to 12. Stock are counted in the group size. For example, 3 people riding their own horse plus a spare horse in the group for packing would make a group of 7.

#### **Leave No Trace**

- > Plan Ahead and Prepare: Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies.
- > Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces: Use established trails and campsites.
- Dispose of Waste Properly: Pack out all trash, leftover food and litter.
- Leave What You Find: Avoid introducing or transporting non-native species.
- Minimize Campfire Impacts: Use established fire rings & keep fires small.
- > Respect Wildlife: Control pets at all times.
- > Be Considerate of Other Visitors: Avoid loud voices and noises.

For information on *Leave No Trace*, go to www.LNT.org or call 1-800-332-4100

### For current trail conditions and more recreation information go to:

http://www.fs.usda.gov/mthood

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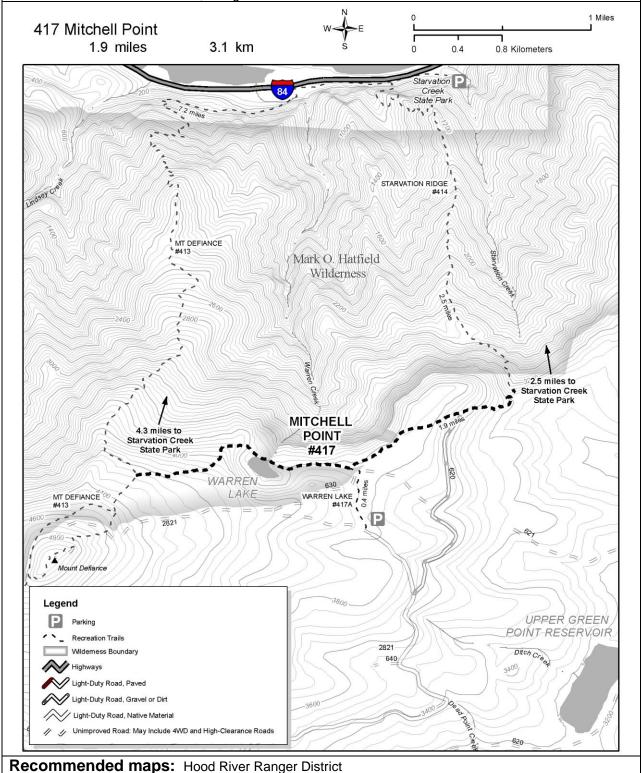
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**Directions to Trailhead:** From Portland, take US Hwy I-84 east of Cascade Locks 10 miles to Starvation Creek Trailhead at exit 55.

<u>From Hood River</u>, take US Hwy I-84 west to Wyeth exit 51, turn around, and drive back on the US Hwy I-84 east 3 miles to access Starvation Creek Trailhead at exit 55.

To reach this trail from the south, see guide #417A Warren Lake





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